Marshalls, who have both served time in

ing. He denies the theft.

POISONED PEN' JUNE 18 IS DATE CASE THROWN OUT

Rule of Practice over 100 Years Old.

DEFENDANT 'NOT GUILTY'

Setween 200 and 300 Pen-Printed Anonymous, Obscene Letters Sent Clergyman by Jealous Woman.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.-A technicalsened pen" case in which Miss. Harriet Dewitt of Easten, Pac was acused of writing anonymous, obscene ing barely more than two hours. letters to an Easton elergyman, his are was called before Judge Mo-Pherson and when the government attempted to have admitted in evidence a sample of Miss Dewitt's handwritpround that under the existing rule of practice a test paper cannot be admitted as evidence unless it has some other hearing on the case other than a mere test to show comparison of

J. C. Swartley, assistant U. S. div. trict attorney, who conducted the case for the government, announced that with the exclusion of this test paper e case fell and Judge McPherson directed the jury to return a verdict . f

Judge McPherson in excluding the paper said that in his personal opinion the paper ought to be admitted, but that he had to abide by the federal State laws admit such papers, out they are not admissible in the lederal courts except where they have some direct relation to the case.

WORK OF JEALOUS WOMAN.

The "poisoned pen" case has attractsd considerable attention. The letters the committee. were evidently the work of a jealous woman according to the lawyers in the case, and most of them were almthe Rev. Elmer E Snyder of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church of Easton. He had received between 200 had received them, and his wife and of the letter writer. The letters had seen coming to these people for more than nine years and various persons the selection of Col. Harry S. New. in the church and in the community former chairman of the committee and had been falsely accused of writing them, and much ill feeling had been stirred up. Last summer the postal inspectors, who had been working on

The Rev. Mr. Snyder, his wife and sevanonymous letters, receiving testified to-day to having received the defamatory communications. Mr. Snyder and his wife and Miss Florence Willauer, with whose parents Mr. Snyder lived before he was married, told of Miss Dewitt hissing at them as they passed on the streets and of her making faces at them. Other neighbors of the

the case for several years, arrested

ACCUSED THE DEFENDANT. The government then called Valentine Schoenberger, a postal inspector, who investigated the case. He told of sus-picion pointing to Miss Dewitt. He sent for her and after getting her to pen print four lines at his dictation in the presence of her attorney, he said he acused her of writing the letters. Sho denied it, he said, and she told him she also had received some of the letters. With this testimony the government of-

the court threw it out. Mins Dewitt smilingly accepted the congratulations of her friends, who crowded about her when the jury rendered 400,000 thousand veterans eligible take adits verdict in accordance with the court's Brections.

MISTAKE OF A BRAKEMAN.

Public Service Commission Hears Exidence on Accident at Riverton.

Montpeller, Dec. 12.-The members of I. W. Redmond, S. Hollister Jackson and W. R. Warner, with Clerk R. W. Spear, chairman of the appropriations commitmet at the State House to-day and held a tee, voted against it. hearing on the accident at Riverton Octo-ber 2, when a light engine ran into a where there is a disposition to pass

Mr. Chayer of train 27 were the only House democrats voted for the measure witnesses used. It appeared that within in the belief that the Senate would a few hours after the wreck A. H. Chad- not pass it. bourn, a brakeman, made a statement in the Sherwood hill would establish declared that his State would be lost deposits aggregated \$11,000,000 and they not well known. It included Chauncey which he said he went back only ten tele- the following basis of pensions: For to the Republican party if Mr. Taft are expected to reach \$60,000,000 or more M. Depew, Elbert H. Gary, Maj. Gen. train would proceed to Riverton from the one year, \$39 per month. been back far enough.

railroad.

The St. Johnsbury Electric company was granted permission to increase its year was voted out on the motion of capital stock from \$125,000 to \$150,000 to pay Representative Rucker of Colorado. for extension. H. S. Blodgett of St. Johnsbury appeared for the company. Stickney, its attorney, was given permis-

purpose of building extensions.

A YEARNING.

To a certain extent," replied Mr. Dus

"After a fashion. But I can't help in autograph-album-instead of a "we'k book"-Washington Star.

Technicality Based on Federal Republican Party Will Choose a Candidate for President at Chicago.

ALL PROCKEDINGS PRO-TAFT

Chairman of the Indiana Committee Declares His State Lost if Mr. Taft Is Nominated.

Washington, Dec. 12.-With little ty based on a federal tule of prac- trace of friction the republican nationtice in force for more than 100 years al committee met here to-day and brought to an abrupt end in the Uni- formulated the preliminary plans for ted States court here to-day the "pol- the campaign of 1912. The program agreed upon was carried out expedi-

Chicago was chosen as the convenwife and some of his neighbors. The tien city and the call was issued for al Committeenan Wm. Is Ward of New at last told the story of robbing the store the assembling of delegates on Tues- york, who did not attend the White and of seling the skins to a mon in Fair day. June 18, to nominate candidates House dinner Monday night, was in ac- Haven. for president and vice-president. Act- cord with the program adopted. ing Chairman John F. Hill, former A committee of three was named to ing the court ruled it out on the governor of Maine, was unanimously devise rules and regulations for the naelected chairman of the committee aft- tional committee and its officers, which er the acceptance of the resignation are to be reported to the 1912 convention.

in Chicago in June.

The committee adhered to the convention call of 1908 and the primary titled to votes. question, which had been the sole disturbing topic before the committee, was left as it was four years ago. The champions of presidential preference primaries, and State-wide primarles for the selection of delegates to the convention in States where prilaws are not operative, were de-Borah of Idaho, who contented himself with a minority report from the sub-committee on call of which he was chairman and with a brief speech to

UNIQUE IN TWO RESPECTS The meeting was unique in two respects.

with open doors. Politically, the meeting was pro-Taft. Members of his congregation situation. Early in the day it became apparent that Secretary Hilles and Arthur some neighbors were also the targets Vorys, national committeemen from Ohio. ing at two o'clock, Mr. Borah presented rounding towns notified. The disinclination of were in control. a member from Indiana, as chairman of the sub-committee on arrangements was not overcome, and Mr. Hitchcock took no

Snyders and Willauers told of receiving Eight Republicans Joined 84 Democrats in Vote against the Sherwood Measure.

Washington, Dec. 12.-The Sherwood ervice pension bill, which would add upwords of \$40,000,000 to the government's innual expenditures by granting increased fered the sample writing in evidence and determined opposition of many demo-Fisher had estimated that the bill would Louis. add \$55,900,000 to the pension roll if the

vantage of the increased wage. The republicans who voted with the \$4 lemocrats against the bill were Gardner. Gillette and McCall of Massachusetts Hill of Connecticut, Kent of California McCreary of Pennsylvania, Payne of New York, and Utter of Rhode Island, Speaker Clark voted with the majority of his his service commission, Chairman party for the bill and Democratic Leader commond, S. Hollister Jackson and Underwood and Fitzgerald of New York.

train and smashed several cars. Engl- some form of amended service pension teer W. B. Chayer of Montpeller suffered a crushed foot. Senate leaders, however will proceed slowly in the considera-Conductor Spaulding of train 23 and tion of this legislation and many

graph poles to flag the following train service for 90 days to six months, were renominated, and that the wreck was his fault entirely. \$15 per month; from six to nine months He at once resigned. He should have \$20 per month; from nine months to says Mr. Lee. "If he is the republican cock strongly recommended the establish. Bays Hammond, the Rev. Dr. John H. been back 36 poles, but supposed his one year, \$25 per month; more than nominee our fight is lost before a gun ment by Congress of an adequate parcels Jewett, Henry W Taft, Jacob H.

gravel pit, in which case he would have Two important changes were made in Mr. Lee adds that his conclusion was the Sherwood bill during the all-day reached only after a searching inquiry Chairman Redmond took occasion to im- battle over it. A joint amendment by through his precinct committeemen the press upon railroad men the importance Representatives Rauch of Indiana and and in person. of compliance with the rules regarding Cox of Ohio struck out the provision flagging and urged them to take the mat- denying entrance to federal soldiers' ter up as an organization, as a duty to homes of veterans receiving more than man of the Ohio republican State centhemselves, the road and the public. \$55 a month pension; and refusing to trai committee, in which he deplored State's Attorney J. W. Carver appeared State homes federal aid for the support the action of the national committee. for the State and C. W. Witters for the of such pensioners. The restriction in refusing to provide means for the against the payment of any pension to a selection of delegates at large by veteran whose income exceeds \$1,000 a

The fight on the bill was waged along political lines to a considerable The Barre railroad, through W. B. C. extent and members of each party charged the other party with bunsion to increase its capital stock by \$60,000 combe "in their attitude toward the or issue the same amount of bonds for the old soldiers." Prominent democrats attacked the bill as directly opposed to the democratic principles of economy and obstructive of the plans to

"You say you are sometimes a little reduce the tariff. Chairman Fitzgerald of the appropriations committee fought it because of its tremendous draught on the "But you are famous, and sought treasury. Representative Harrison of New York, a leading democrat on the ways and means committee, declared wishing more people would ask me to that the bill "knocks in the face all pretensions made by the Pemocratic George Marshall in Poultney. party in the last campaign."

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part in the proceedings of the day. The Officer Policy visited the Marshall house at southern committeemen, said to be op-posed to Mr. New for fear that he hanging the curtains stolen from the favored a reduction of southern repesentation, voted for the Indiana man,

A CHARLES AND A STREET

The other members of the committee ire: David Malyane, Kansas; Franklin Murphy, New Jersey; Arthur I. Vorys. R. E. Williams, Oregon; E. C. Duncan, North Carolina, and Victor Rosewater, Nebraska. The latter two were brought to Falr Haven and to-morrow added to the committee which originally he will be taken to Castleton for a hearwas planned to consist of five members. Chairman New announced after the meeting of the full committee, that his burglary at West Pawlet. The furs worth sub-committee would meet in Chicago in 50 stolen from the store there have been

ROOSEVELT MEN QUIESCENT.

The wishes of the Taft committeemen prevailed throughout the meeting. The Ohioans and New Yorkers, who had given publicity to the Roosevelt propaganda contented themselves with the progress they have made. Walter Brown, lender of the Ohio Roosevelt band, took no part in the proceedings, while Nation-

Postmaster-General Hitchcock, This committee consists of Mr. Brocker which went into effect April 1, 1909, of Connecticut, chairman, Mr. Ward and William Hayward of Nebraska was Frank Kellogg, committeeman from elected secretary to serve until the Minnesota. Ostensibly its function is to new national committee is organized devise rules by which the treasurer and gett of St. Johnsbury, who have been in given places in the committee and en-

The expected and long-heralded row over the primary question proved a flash | point in the pan. The following members of within a year. the committee were appointed to draft the call; clorah, Idahe; Lowden, Illinois Ward, New York; Rosewater, Nebraska, and Capers, South Carolina. The cummittee was appointed at the morning ression which began at 11:30 o'clock feated. They were led by Senator retired immediately, Within an hour the committee had agreed to report.

BORAH'S MINORITY REPORT Messrs. Lowden, Ward and Capers signed the majority report which empowered States with primary law to select delegates by primary if their committee so day. decided, and Mr. Rosewater signed it with ness and the proceedings were conducted many idea. Mr. Borah submitted his miss he himself, during the period of a prewould permit presidential primaries in and 300 of pen-printed, anonymous let- The President's advisers controlled the all States, regardless of the existence or

non-existence of a primary law. reports and explained the difference in Postmaster-General Hitchcock to endorse the two. He consented to an amendment by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania which overcame the conflict between the requires that delegates must be chosen 30 days before the convention and the republican nomination for president. South Dakota law fixes June 5 as the date of the primary. The Penrose amendment waives the rule in the case of South Dakota.

his argument for Senator Borah declared that he regarded it as the duty of the committee to con-

Mr. Verys of Ohlo, the President's spokesman, contended that the Ohlo primary law provided for the election of district delegates but there was no provision for delegates at large. No primary law for the election of delegates at large ould be held under the primary law, he Postal Service on Self-Sustaining said, and no prosidential popularity contest could be conducted under the Ohio

BORAH'S REPORT DEPEATED. After Senator Borah had replied to the criticism of his primary provision, report was defeated 42 to 7, and the najority report adopted unanimously. There was practically no contest in

censions to Civil and Mexican War veter- invitations had been received from Cinand on the basis of length of service, was cinnati, Euffalo, St. Louis, Denver and passed by the House to-night despite the Chicago. No speaker appeared for Cincinnati or Buffalo and Mayor Fred H. gratic leaders. Secretary of the Interior Kreisman withdrew the name of St. The invitation from Chicago carried with it all the expenses of the sustaining basis meant an improvement convention. Chicago received 42 votes to and extension of facilities and, at no seven for Denver, one for St. Louis and distant day, one-cent letter postage.

> Two significant political incidents developed during the day. A stipulation the election of delegates to the convention prior to the issue of the call. This will invalidate the titles of delegates already selected in Alabama. Another was the extensions include 2.744 new postoffices resurrection of the reduction of southern delivery of mail by carriers in 184 addirepresentation movement by Representatives James Francis Burke of Pittsburg who championed such a resolution on the floor of the convention four years

The committee adjourned to meet a the call of the chairman.

INDIANA LOST TO TAFT.

To-night Edwin M. Lee, chairman of the Indiana republican State committee, issued a statement in which he

"Mr. Taft cannot carry Indiana." is fired."

Almost simultaneously primaries. This expression, however, was merely in the nature of a protest.

STOLEN GOODS RETURNED.

Officer Polley of Fair Haven Solven

Two Recent Burglaries. Rutland, Dec. 12.- The solution of two recent breaks in this county and the return of the stolen goods is the record made by Deputy Sheriff John S. Polley of Fair Haven. This afternoon he placed inder arrest Edward Clayton, at one time held as a suspect in the burglary of the jewelry store at Poultney. He is now charged with breaking into the Mound cottage on Lake Bomoseen and stealing numerous articles. The property was found by the officer at the home of

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A PEACE MEETING.

Deposits

Silence Chairman Joseph

hanging the curtains stolen from the found most of the cottage furniture. The

the house of correction, claimed that the goods were left there by Clayton, Polley Twenty-Eight Reserve Policemon then made his way to South Poultney, where he found Clayton. The man was Eject Mob Leaders from Gallery-Carnegie's Speech Sheriff Folloy has also solved the recent Eliminated.

January to begin the work of organizing returned to the owners. Directly follow-the convention plans. New York, Dec. 12.-A riotous outfound in a jewelry store in Fair Haven about three weeks ago while attempting break interrupted a large mass meeting to rob the store, Sheriff Polley obtained a Beld at Carnegle hall to-night in support clue which led him to believe that Car- of the arbitration treaties which Presirick was the same man that robbed the dent Tuft has proposed with England and store of Merriti Nelson in West Pawlet France, Twenty-eight reserve policemen on the night of November 25. When the Were hurried to the half and eight perprisoner was brought to this city from some were forcibly ejected. The outbreak occurred after Nicholas Fair Haven he was closely questioned and

ST. ALBANS HEARS NEWS.

City to Be a Shipping Point on Boston & Maine Soon, 'Tis Said.

Lyndonyllie, F. C. Maya and Harry Blods | secretary of the committee shall be this city and vicinity in the interests of claimed, and the words were scarcely the Boston & Maine rallroad, left to-day for home. The statement was made here to-day that this city would be a shipping hands in an apparent signal, whereup on the Boston & Maine system

FRED KENT FINDS HIMSELF.

at Waterbury Asslum.

at nine this evening, when he ed as found as he could: rapped for admission at the supervisor's gallery is composed of a lot of cow door. He had hidden in the coal shed all ards. Kent has been employed in the boiler room and is not violent. He is a the reservation that he favored the pri- brother of Elroy Kent, the murderer, and nority report which added a provision that vious escape from the hospital, is thought brought into use. Women in evening to have killed his father.

the man a disappearance and a reward of Chairman Choate announced that the When the committee resumed its meet- gas was offered for his capture and sur- Butler resolutions had been unani-

Associate Justice Hughes of the United States Supreme Court authorizes the an- ton, jumped to their feet, shouled call and the South Dakota law. The call houncement that he will not permit the use of his name in connection with the kerchiefs and hats,

Basis and One-Cent Letter Postage Coming.

Washington, Dec. II .- "For the first time electing the convention city. Tentative of the postoffice department shows a nonneed that the meeting would be adsurplus instead of a deficit."

This is the burden of the annual report of Postmaster-General Hitchrock now made public. He indicated that the placing of the postal service upon a self-

At the beginning of the present administration in 1900, Mr. Hitchcock pointed our the department showed a delicit of \$17.was made in the call wigh renders null 475.779, the largest on record. In two years surplus of \$219.118 despite important extensions throughout the service. tional cities, 2516 new rural mail routes aggregating 60,679 miles, and 8,600 additional postal employes, with the salary roll greater by \$14,000,000 than it was two

years ago. than a year old, now is in operation in practically all of the 7,500 presidential the colors of France and Great Britain ostoffices. Preparations are being made were intertwined. to establish it in about 40,000 fourth-class offices that do a money order business. post which, he said, could be put into Schiff and many others.

operation in a few months. The postmaster-general reiterated that second-class postage rate should be ultimately the regular conveyance of mall now ready to vote for ratification. portation

Mr. Hitchcock recommended granting ing these 15 votes." all postal employes 20 days annual leave that "a civil pension based on length of employment be granted by the govern ment" to superannuated employes; and that presidential postmasters be placed in the classified service.

A BAD MISTAKE.

orthat young lady is angry with me. mad about "

"I mistook her for a plano lamp."

Cat Calls, Yells, Groans and Hisses H. Choate.

Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, had read resolutions urging the Senate to ratify the treatles, and Alfonse G. Koelble, of the German-American Citizens' League of the State of New York, stepped to the front of the platform and moved that the majority resolution of the United States Senate committee on foreign relations be adopted as a substitute for the declara-St. Albans, Lee, E.-George W. Cree of tions contained in the Rutler resolution. "This de laration is not a promoter of prace, but a breeder of war,

out of his mouth when men jumped to either side of the stage and raised their pundemonium was let loose in the upper galleries. Cat calls, yells, groans and hisses

made it impossible for Chairman Joseph H. Choate to proceed with the meeting. Four hundred prominent en were sented on the platform and they were astounded at the outbreak. A large group of them held confer Waterbery, Dec. 12.-Disappearing at ences for more than ten minutes while seven o'clock this morning Fred Kent, pandemonium still reigned, One man an inmate of the State hospital, gave him- on the platform jumped up and shout-

MEGAPHONES ARE USED.

came louder and megaphones were dress in the boxes jumped to their feet Considerable apprehension was felt over in fright. In the mildst of the noise, mously adopted. The persons in the main part of the auditorium took this as a signal for a counter demonstra their approval and waved their hand-

Andrew Carnegie was down on the program as the next speaker, but he apparent amazement at demonstration and, in his place, Habbi Stephen Wise asked for a hearing He was met with such cries as "shut alleries. Above all he shouted "I warn you people in the gallery that o people in the world will feel so

adly at the result of this meeting tolight as the Irish leaders in the Engish Parliament.

His reference brought forth an even combination of grouns and howls. Koelble, whose resolution had crecipitated the riot, called to the people n the gallery to show spirit of fair play, but his appeal was in vain. Bellowing from megaphones continued and both Koelble and Wise gave up the attempt to petk. Chairman Choate was equally unnecessful. The police reserves reached the gallery by this time and ejected the leaders of the disturbing element, but no since 1883 the annual financial statement arrests were made. Chairman Choate anjourned. A dozen men on the platform tried to assist him in restoring order. He said:

BETTER AID THAN SPEECHES.

The action of the gallery here to-night as done plore to cause the ratingation of these peace treaties than all the peace speeches that could be made during the evening. In virtue of my authority as hairman of this meeting I declare the meeting adjourned without the audience listening to the speeches of the other two

These gentlemen were Andrew Carnegle nd Frederick Condert, a well-known

Over all this scene of excitement the Latin word for peace shone in large gilt letters, and also in red. white and blue electric lights. Across the American flag was a white silk The postal savings bank system, less emblem, "Oh Lord, Thy Kingdom

The list of men on the platform is altogether too long to present, but In il months' operation, postal bank there is hardly a name in it that is by July 1. In view of the successful Frederick D. Grant, the Right Rev. operation of the postal banks, Mr. Hitch. David H. Greer, J. Franklin Fort, John

APPLAUSE GENERAL AT FIRST.

Before the disturbance, the meeting two cents instead of one cent a pound, had been addressed by Col. Henry He also urged that by readjustment of Watterson, the southern editor, and was issued by Walter F. Brown, chair- the pay of railroads for transporting the President Butler of Columbia, as well mails, based on actual cost to the rall- as by Chairman Choate and their reroads, an annual saving to the govern- marks had generally met with much ment of at least \$9,000,000 could be effected. applause. They had all urged the rat-Mr. Hitchcock said: "The progress in lification of the treaties. Dr. Butler aviation encourages the hope that declared that there were 45 senators by this means may be practicable in many requires 15 more," he said, "and these districts where the natural conditions meetings being held to-night in cities preclude other means of rapid trans- from Portland. Maine, to Portland, Oregon, are for the purpose of secur-

> ADDISON COUNTY COURT. Middlebury, Dec. 12.-In Addison

county court, the case of George Deno Antoine Duffany went to the jury at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. plaintiff and defendants are brothersin-law and Deno sues Duffany in a The episode happened at a reception. I case of trespass for assault and batouldn't me her face under her big hat." tery alleged to have been committed "And you mistook her for anothe upon him at at Richville in Shore am young ludy, ch? Nothing in that to get last July. The next case for trial is understood to be Louisa Thempson. appellant, vs. Solon Burroughs, admin-

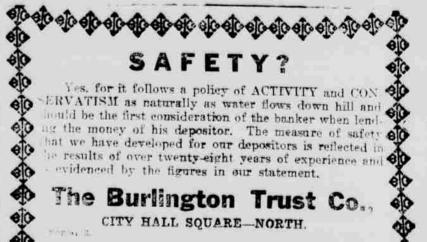
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Pellagra claimed its first victim in date. New Jersey in the person of Mrs. Martha Burtis of North Branch.

forgiveness for her recent conduct. Manila says the Moros have retreated o the heights of Bagsak mountain and are entrenching to resist dispossession.

his aunt, the infanta Eulalia, begging

The naval department contemplates ombining the New York, Boston and Portsmouth navy yards at Narragansett

Mrs. Winifred Farrell, who has just gerian partridges, quall and deer, entered upon her 196th year at Elast set free at the opening of spring Orange, N. J., cats six meals a day and

dent by the Alabama democratic congressional delegation, Representative Underwood announced that he is not a candi-

Senor Alvarez of Havana, whose son King Alfonso has received a letter from paid the \$15,000 ransom demanded and the youth has been returned to his home

The International Hotel Workers' union

at a meeting in New York denounced tip-

ping and declared in favor of five per cent, being added to checks for meals and a commission on sales. The New Jersey State fish and game

commission will spend \$30,000 for the importation of English pheasants and I'm-

FOUNTAIN PENS AT FRE'